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DEMAND AND SUPPLY OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the projected demand of petroleum products for the year 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 was higher than the actual consumption;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether the projected production of petroleum products is lower than the actual production during the above period; (

(d) if so, the facts thereof;

(e) whether the percentage of projected production of petroleum products is lower than the actual production;

(f) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(g) the steps taken to meet the project demand?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. As per 10th Five Year Plan document of the Planning Commission, the demand of petroleum products during the year 2006-07 was projected at 120.4 MMT. The actual consumption during 2006-07 (Provisional) was 119.8 MMT.

(c) to (g) The projected production & actual production of the petroleum products during 2004-05 to 2006-07 are as under :

(Qty. in TMT)

Year	Projected production	Actual production	Variation
2004-05	137351	122749	(-) 14602
2005-06	137272	124080	(-) 13192
2006-07	135966	140070	4104

During 2004-05 & 2005-06, the actual refining was lower than projections mainly due to lower growth in demand of products, lower availability of crude, delay/deferment of some refinery projects.However, currently the refining capacity is more than consumption and India is a net exporter of petroleum products.